(*b*) (i) whether they have received a notice of suit from a ratepayer of the Trivandrum Municipality for a declaration that the Government order sanctioning the 20 per cent. allowance is illegal and *ultra vires* and for consequential relief ; and

(ii) if so, what action the Government have taken or propose to take in the matter ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Yes ; but subsequently the Council at its meeting held on the 4th Edavam 1102, passed the allowance sanctioned to the President.

(*b*) (i) Yes.

(ii) The matter is under consideration.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : May I know when the meeting of the Council in which the President's allowance was objected to was held ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : 4th Makaram 1102.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : May I know whether before the Municipal Council passed the President's allowance on the 4th Edavom 1102 the President was enabled at any time to draw the allowance ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : Will the member, please, repeat the question ? I could not hear him fully.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : Before the Municipal Council, on a subsequent date, passed the allowance sanctioned by the Government, was the President enabled at any time to draw the sanctioned allowance ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : I do not understand the member's point when he says "was enabled."

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : Before the 4th Edavam, did the President draw the allowance at any time ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : I am not able to say that.

Resolution against the President, Trivandrum Municipal Council.

151. **MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil*) : Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware that the Trivandrum Municipal Council has passed a resolution expressing their want of confidence in their President, and, if so, what action the Government propose to take in the matter ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : No such resolution has been passed by the Council.

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